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gence and certainty. Most of the matter has been heretofore published in the Law Reviews. Six of the seventeen chapters are new. The chapters on Church Constitution, Implied Trusts, Contracts, Dedication and Adverse Possession are especially valuable. The book is published as one of the Studies in History Economics and Public Law, edited by the Faculty of Political Science of Columbia University.

THE DECLARATORY JUDGMENT—A NEEDED PROCEDURAL REFORM. By Edwin M. Borchard. Pp. 78.

This is a reprint of two articles by Professor Borchard, published in the November and December, 1918, numbers of the Yale Law Journal, on a subject which is attracting attention in this country, but which has been long known in England and on the Continent. A recent article in 16 Michigan Law Review, page 60, by Professor Sunderland, of the University of Michigan, is the only other article of importance on this subject in English. The excellent results of the use of this remedial right are fully set forth in Professor Borchard's monograph, and we may hope that in course of time the value of this procedural remedy will be recognized in this country. It is hardly realized by either the bar or the public how far America lags behind England and her colonies in scientific and sensible administration of the law. Note the recent case of *Jackson v. Strong*, 222 New York 149.

The practice of reprinting from the law reviews for wider circulation valuable essays such as the one now before us is highly to be recommended.

THE LAW AS A VOCATION. By Frederick J. Allen, with an introduction by William Howard Taft. Published by Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., 1919. Pp. viii, 82.

This little book is prepared by the Assistant Director of the Bureau of Vocational Guidance, Division of Education, of Harvard University, and is intended to present a clear, accurate and impartial study of the law for the purpose of assisting those who are attempting to choose a career. It treats of the field of the law, the service and opportunities in the profession, how to prepare for the profession, entering practice, in the practice, and present tendencies in the profession. It sets forth lucidly and fully all those facts and details which in the course of time become well known to the lawyer but which as a rule are not known or not properly known to young men who are contemplating the establishment of a career. This little book deserves wide circulation and ought to be read especially by students in the college department of our universities and by their advisors. The subject matter of this book is set forth in such way as to be worthy of the very highest commendation.